

Item: RESO 08-192
Fiscal Impact: \$5,703,649.00
Funding Source: FTA, FHWA-TCSP, HUD,
Department of Education, Commerce, Justice, Science,
Account #: _____
Budget Opening Required:

ISSUE:

West Valley City FY 2008 Federal Agenda.

SYNOPSIS:

Each year West Valley City develops a list of priority projects and issues that the City seeks Federal funding support to accomplish. This year representatives from the Ferguson Group, Ron Ham and Sarah Stockdale, interviewed all of the Department heads to determine priorities for potential Federal projects to aid them in accomplishing the mission of their department. At the conclusion of these meetings, Mr. Ham and Ms. Stockdale met with Wayne Pyle, the City Manager; and Joseph Moore, the CED Director, to determine the City Manager's priority for the coming Fiscal year. Mr. Pyle then went to the West Valley City Mayor and Council to confirm or alter those priorities. The current priority is: (1) Intermodal Center; (2) Intermodal Plaza Greenway Project; (3) Hands-on Science; (4) Metro Forensics Laboratory; (5) UCCC Programs Support; (6) Public Safety Communications Equipment. Wayne was also concerned with the impacts of Federal budget reductions with the Community Development Block Grant Program, and the City Housing Authority programs.

BACKGROUND:

In November 2007; Ron Ham scheduled appointments with the City Manager and Department Heads over a 2-day period to discuss the departments' needs, and also programs that may meet these needs through federal funding. During this interview process, Ron and Sarah developed a list of potential Federal resources to fund the identified department needs. From this list, the City Council recommended the following priorities:

	Project Name	Project Description	Amount Requested	Legislation and Program
1	West Valley Intermodal Center	Construction of the West Valley City Intermodal Center	\$2,203,649 for West Valley City. UTA will be submitting a \$10.6 million request for various Intermodal Facilities in Utah, of which \$2,203,649 is needed for West Valley City.	Transportation-HUD Appropriations bill under FTA Bus and Bus Facilities
2	West Valley City Intermodal Plaza Greenway Project	Development of an Urban Park to connect LRT, BRT and Local Bus Service.	\$1,500,000	Transportation-HUD Appropriations bill under FHWA-TCSP and/or HUD Economic Initiative

3	Hands on Science	Expand Community Education Partnership to include math and science curriculum.	\$300,000	Department of Education Appropriations bill under Fund for the Improvement of Education
4	Metro Forensics Laboratory	Funding to purchase equipment for a Regional DNA lab that would involve three cities.	\$1,000,000	Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations bill under Justice – COPS Technology or Edward Byrne Discretionary Grants
5	Utah Cultural Celebration Center Programs Support	Funding to enhance and expand programs at the UCCC	\$500,000	Labor-HHS-Education Appropriation bill under Education-Institute of Museum and Library Services.
6	Public Safety Communications Equipment	Funding to purchase new equipment to set up command posts in the back of police SUV's	\$200,000	Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations bill under Justice – COPS Technology

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends City Council support the Federal appropriations described above and the priorities recommended. We also recommend continued funding at current levels for the programs: Community Development Block Grant and for the West Valley City Housing Authority programs.

SUBMITTED BY:

Joseph L. Moore, CED Director